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Dr. Robert F. Thorne
Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden
1500 North College Ave.
Claremont, California

Dear Dr. Thorne:

Thank you for your prompt answer to what we know was a difficult question. We know it will satisfy our subscriber.

Here are a few specimens which are not in too good condition. If any of them aren't easily identified don't spend too much time on them, as we can write for better specimens.

No. 1 - from Atwater, Merced Co.: "Am enclosing some blooms of a flower which came up under our fan (?) at the edge of the foundation of the house. Would like to transplant it if I could do so and save the flower."

No. 2 - from San Bernardino: "Please tell me what the name of this shrub is. It's a wild species, perhaps of the mountain slopes. This was in our lot when we bought the property in 1938. We had to dig up for equipment so I took a start of it (root) and planted it in the front yard. It's still here. It grows about 3 feet tall, then the long branches each year grow out 3 or 4 feet and droop over. I love the scent of it and feel sure it must be good for something." (sorry this deteriorated - they will carefully dampen specimens and put them in plastic bags - m.m.)

No. 3 - from Hollister, San Benito Co.: "I wonder if you can tell me what kind of weed this is. My husband has a terrific allergy to it. Any information would be greatly appreciated."

Thanks for any information you can give on these.

Sincerely,

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